

Part One:

## THE DIRECTION

# A Vision For The Future

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Beyond any doubt, the state of the University of Bridgeport resembles, in many ways, the State of the Union. In a manner that is all too genuine, we have grown introspective, confused and cautious, altering at times from elation to depression as we go about the task of surviving this last quarter leg of the Century.

The essence of our institution is being challenged from all fronts. After years of being deluged with students, American colleges have more than one half million vacancies today. Even respectable campuses sent unsolicited invitations to potential students last year in hard-nosed recruiting drives.

Here in Bridgeport, we have witnessed the Waldemere horrors pass before our eyes—staff and faculty cuts, enrollment drops, soaring operational costs, student-faculty divisiveness, accusations of Administrative abuse of power. Now, there is talk of "financial exigency" and fear of bankruptcy. Students are wondering if the University will be transformed into a Connecticut ghost town before long. In short, we are in plenty of trouble in 1975. The once optimistic idealogues that could point to Bridgeport higher education and define, without question, what the University was doing for its students, are being cynically challenged today. There is a crisis in confidence due to the current shift in opinion of social scientists over the im-

portance of college education—the very nature of our attendance here!

This is not in any way a new challenge—the Coleman report is nine-years-old now. Yet, it is apparent that few of us—students, teachers, and to some extent, administrators—have come to grips with reality. In blunt terms, the 60's have ended and skepticism runs rampant over the importance of higher education. We haven't prepared ourselves for the shock Alvin Toffler warned us of. We have only responded with conventional rhetoric.

### INSENSITIVITY

Moreover, we have spoken for several years now about our ambitions for academic excellence. Yet, the conversations have subsided and we have

grown complacent to such a degree that we are in danger of falling asleep at the wheel, becoming victims of our own insensitivity.

Thus, we must ask how long our current naivete and dereliction will persist. Are we to continue manufacturing diplomas for students who lost interest long ago partially because of tired teachers and mostly because of an overactive and tuition-mongering admissions office? Are we to continue lashing out at the Administration each time it takes an unwanted, but oftentimes, necessary step toward financial blaance?

We do not have to remain dumbfounded for lack of answers another day because there is a solution. To reach that solution

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## Meal Ballot Vague; Voting Rescheduled

By JILL LANDES  
News Editor

Student Council invalidated last week's meal plan referendum because students did not understand the choices, and rescheduled voting for today and tomorrow.

The proposal for invalidation originally made by Rick Loomis, senator from the College of Business Administration, was defeated

by a 4-7-1 margin, but was later passed 7-1-4 when the motion was brought up again.

Loomis brought up the annullment, "because some people said they were biased at the voting place. There was not enough adequate information given to the students, and 75 per cent of those voting were asking questions about the differences between the two plans."

The purpose of the referendum is for resident and com-

muter students to choose between a card system and proposed ticket or coupon system. An ID will be required to vote, and voting will be in Marina Dining Hall and in the Student Center.

The ticket system has been dubbed a "65 per cent plan," because students would receive tickets for that percentage of meals on a meal plan. Students would be able to eat either in Marina or in the Student Center Cafeteria by producing a certain number of points for each meal with a ticket book.

Each point would be worth 20 cents. Breakfast would be worth two points or 40 cents. Lunch three points or 60 cents and dinner five points or \$1.

Marcia Buell, director of Food Services, said that 50 per cent of the cost of a meal plan is used to cover overhead, while the balance covers raw food costs. Because the prices in the Cafeteria include overhead, a student would present tickets worth half the amount of the retail price there.

### ANY MEAL

A student would be able to go to any meal he pleases, as long as he signs up for a meal plan and has enough tickets. More tickets could be purchased which would cover only the raw food costs, if a student runs out before the end of a semester. Ticket books would be issued several times a semester.

The ticket books would have an identification number so they could be reported, if missing. It would be possible to lend a ticket book to a friend for meals, which cannot be done with the present meal cards.

The cost of the plan will not

mean a reduction in meal plan rates, Buell said. The rates for the fall semester have already been set. They are higher than the present rates.

Students who eat all of their meals might find the system a disadvantage, because they would have to purchase additional tickets. There would be no meal refund for unused tickets. Buell said she would consider a steak night in lieu of a refund, "but we could discuss

it then and determine how we want to handle it."

### QUALITY IMPORTANT

An advantage of the plan is that the dining hall would have more flexibility in planning meals. "With the high cost of food, some of the more expensive meals have been taken away," Buell said. "But with this system, I don't see why we

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## Classified Ads Lie In Wait For Unwary

By LORRAINE  
HOOPER  
Staff Reporter

The classified section of a newspaper is where many students look for apartments or jobs. It is also a place where traps may be set, waiting to capture the unwary consumer.

Alvin E. Kerstein, president of the Better Business Bureau of Southwestern Connecticut, warns students about a variety of questionable business schemes advertised in local papers. Among these are employment services and apartment rental agencies.

The following ad appeared in a recent edition of the Bridgeport Telegram: "UNBELIEVABLE: We have full and part-time openings available immediately if not sooner! Call JOBSEEKERS, 333-0944!! Twenty-five other

ads on the page were also placed by Jobseekers.

I called their office, explaining I was a student who needed a part-time job. I was told they could probably find me something as a cocktail waitress. But after further discussion I learned I would have to pay a non-refundable \$30 fee before they would find me a job.

The ad itself may be true. But it implies that Jobseekers is an employment agency, which it is not. There are some notable differences.

Jobseekers is an employment service. It is not licensed by the State Labor Department since it only provides a listing on area employment similar to what is found in newspaper classified ads. There is an advance fee of \$30 a year for this service. Their

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## Miles Plans Layoff of 26 More Faculty

By DAN TEPPER  
Staff Reporter

Twenty-six full-time faculty members could be laid off in 1976, according to President Leland Miles' financial plan for 1976-77.

President Miles announced his plan, which was approved by the Board of Trustees, before deans, department chairpersons and Faculty Council executive committees, last Wednesday. The plan is based on the colleges' submitted productivity plans, the Productivity Committee's comments and on discussions between the Administration and the deans during the last two weeks.

According to Miles, a total of \$490,500 in productivity savings for 1976-77 has been achieved by means similar to those used for

1975-76. The means, according to a chart distributed by Miles, is the elimination of 26 full-time nontenured faculty and 10 support staff.

The college of Arts and Sciences is going to be hardest hit with faculty reductions because of an enrollment decline for 1976-77. Due to a continuing decline in enrollment, Arts and Sciences will suffer the loss of 15 members of its full-time nontenured staff. The original Arts and Sciences financial goal set by the Productivity Committee for 1976-77 is \$295,000 but with all reductions, the College is expected to meet its goal by only 57.2 percent.

The College of Business Administration is expected to meet its financial goal by only 38.9 percent but will have no

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# Meal Voting Today, Tomorrow

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couldn't add some of them back on."

She stressed that if the present card system were continued next year, the more expensive meals might have to be dropped. "But we would never drop the quality. It is more important to have quality

than a number of choices."

A fourth meal plan has been proposed for the fall, consisting of five lunches per week. Buell said she could offer the plan to all students, or only to commuters and resident students with more than 56 credits.

She explained that if the fourth plan were offered to

students with under 56 credits, "it would be prohibitive in terms of cost," because she would have to charge for overhead. She estimated the plan could run about \$200 for students who can receive a meal release, and \$270 for those who cannot, which is about \$4. per lunch.

But the fourth meal plan would not become a reality unless the ticket system is enacted, she said.

After the votes from the referendum are tallied, Buell said she would weigh them according to the number of students who vote.

"I could have been arbitrary in my decision on this, but I wanted the students to have a say," she said.

Although she would like to see the ticket system passed, she added she would not be disappointed if it was rejected.

## Beware Of Job, House Ads

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contract indicates the advance fee is non-refundable and provides no guarantee of employment.

Employment agencies in Connecticut are closely regulated by law. Most do charge a fee, but this is paid only after a job is found. If the job is terminated within ten weeks, a percentage of this is returned.

Employment agencies also offer "fee paid" positions, which means that the employer

has agreed to pay the entire agency fee and there will be no fee to the applicant if he fulfills the conditions of the contract. State law requires that the applicant get a copy of the contract he signs.

### HOUSING ADS

Home Rentals is another such business. It places ads in the classified sections of newspapers, suggesting that it is a real estate broker. However the service offered is only information on house and apartment rentals. There is a \$45 fee

which must be paid in advance, and again there are no guarantees or refunds. Both of these businesses are new this year and located in Bridgeport.

Other schemes, says Kerstein, are offers of employment in the form of "work-at-home." These ads suggest high income on small investments of money.

"Work-at-home schemes," he advises, "are just that, since they are usually aimed at the aging, disabled or unemployed, and those who can least afford to spend money or be gyp-

ped...Better Business Bureau experience indicates that most of the schemes offering work-at-home type employment produce little or no income, and usually end up as dismal failures."

The Better Business Bureau has submitted data concerning these and various other questionable activities to the State Department of Consumer Protection, State Labor Department, State Real Estate Commission, Federal Trade Commission and the U.S. Postal Inspection service, for their investigations.

### MEDIA RESPONSIBILITY

Kerstein feels newspapers have a responsibility for obtaining full disclosure of facts prior to accepting any advertising. "By doing so, the media will be giving its readership and the responsible business community some protection that appears, absolutely necessary," he maintains.

The classified ad departments of the Bridgeport Post-Telegram and the Fairfield Citizen say they can't check out every ad to see if it is valid or misleading. "It would be nice if we could, but we can't. Classified is very heavy, we have to believe the advertiser," said a spokeswoman from the Citizen.

### BRIDGEPORT RIPOFFS

Bridgeport Post-Telegram classified ads manager Al Cavaro said the paper is aware of the controversy over Job-seeker ads. Ad officials with the Fairfield County Division of the National Employment Agency which told them the service is legal and there is nothing that can be done about it. The paper will continue to run the ads until they are notified the ads are illegal.

Both papers said they do remove ads proven to be false or misleading. The Fairfield Citizen does not carry "work-

at-home" ads.

### AVOID TRAP

The Better Business Bureau is often notified by an irate consumer of a situation when it is too late to take action. Kerstein urges students to contact their local BBB office whenever they are dealing with a questionable organization or have questions about a particular product or service.

The Bridgeport office is located at 144 Golden Hill Street and can be contacted by calling 335-1350.

## Miles Warns Senate Of Rumors, Scare Headlines

By MAUREEN BOYLE  
Staff Reporter

President Leland Miles recently warned of "scare headlines" and erroneous talk of bankruptcy that may affect enrollments.

Miles told the University Senate the recent decision to

declare the University financially exigent "doesn't change the fiscal situation" of the University.

Miles said he was concerned about "scare headlines in the Scribe and Bridgeport Post" on the decision.

"I'm also worried about erroneous talk of bankruptcy by the faculty," he said.

Norman Douglas, assistant professor of economics, noted in view of the Bloomfield College decision, if talk of bankruptcy is circulated the faculty should not be blamed.

Bloomfield college in New Jersey filed for financial exigency but extensive property holdings, including a golf course, were owned by the school, and the school was not able to file for exigency. The court ruled the school was not financially exigent. Bloomfield's administration is appealing the decision.

William Winsor, president of

the University chapter of AAUP and associate professor of English, said the AAUP has sought legal assistance to fight the administration's decision of financial exigency.

Graduate assistants' student assistants, teaching assistants and secretaries will be cut down, according to the Trustee productivity decision. Miles said the cutting of some of these positions, used in some cases for financial aid, was "painful."

The Senate has established an ad hoc committee to study the structure of the administration, in depth. The productivity reports recently submitted covered only academic budgets. The Senate committee would study anything not previously covered by the productivity committee.

"I can't see how they can determine the productivity of an administrator," Rene Bous, secretary of the Senate, commented. "I wish them luck."

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## Layoffs

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reductions in faculty. Nursing "because of integration with other programs and new methods of delivery of instruction, will receive no reductions in faculty," Miles said.

College of Education heads the list in decreasing order of goal met and reductions in faculty. The college is expected to meet its goal by 55.8 percent while receiving a reduction of six full-time faculty and three support staff members. Engineering will meet 37.8 percent of its goal and may lose one support staff member and 1.5 faculty, the .5 referring to a loan of a teacher or a one year sabbatical.

The Junior College is expected to reach 9 percent of its goal, losing two faculty and one support staff member. Finally, the College of Fine Arts will reach only 2 percent but lose only two faculty members.

Miles said these figures for 1976-77 are not completely accurate; the final figures at the end of Fall 1975 will be matched with these figures and a more accurate chart will be made. He added that it is possible to make reductions and protect academic standards at the same time.

All faculty reductions will be made by deans, department chairpersons and faculty and must reach Miles office no later than May 1. Vice President Warren Carrier said all colleges must get their recommendations in on this date. He added that if they can't reach an agreement or "fall apart," they should come to him.

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# Cox Censured; Schmidt Blasted

By LESLEY CIARULA and  
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After two hours of amendments, the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences agreed on a watered-down version of Dr. David Cook's proposal for a three-person liaison to the Dean.

The proposal would have established a three-person committee "to meet daily with the Dean, receive a report of all administrative actions, make recommendations and stay administrative actions deemed detrimental to the faculty."

Controversy came from the proposal's provisions to open Dean Albert Schmidt to a vote of no confidence from the faculty, followed by his resignation and replacement by a semi-permanent faculty committee "should the committee's recommendations be ignored by the Dean."

Faculty were sharply divided on the wording of Cook's proposal, bringing up five amendments in the process of revision.

The final decision was for election by each of the 11 departments to the liaison committee, after emergency meetings this past weekend.

After the meeting, Cook said he was disappointed with the outcome, since the purpose of the proposal was to create a committee that transcended department sectionalism.

## Censure Cox

There was little debate, however, on the proposal to censure Vice President for Development John Cox for his handling of high school admissions applications.

William Walker, professor of English, told the meeting of 1,620 applications still not processed by the Admissions office. High School seniors have not yet received word from the University of their acceptance, thus opening the chance they will go elsewhere rather than wait in uncertainty. According to Walker, 530 applications to the College of Arts and Science are among those not yet processed. He called it "outrageous" that the Productivity Plans could be based on incomplete admissions figures.

The entire meeting maintained the mood of the faculty at odds with their Dean.

Even before Cook's proposal was read, Dean Schmidt included a rebuttal in his opening statement.

## No Confidence?

It read, in part: "I have been informed prior to this meeting that there is a movement underway... to pass a vote of 'no confidence' in my leadership. I hope that I will not sound self-serving if I say that at this critical juncture in our college, such a divisive undertaking could prove even more disastrous than Plan A revised."

To further emphasize the chasm, the faculty voted to allow Scribe reporters to stay at the meeting, while the Dean attempted to remove them by quoting the Arts and Sciences By-laws. He interpreted them to mean that any "non-faculty members" should not be allowed to stay. He was overruled by faculty and chairmen present.

The most sore point involved Plans A and B submitted by the Dean, which then went to the Productivity Review Committee.

The plans were "submitted without consultation from the faculty," said Thomas Juliusberger, professor of History. "I am enormously concerned with the apparent absence of discussion on the nuts and bolts of the details of the productivity report. There have been no meetings since Plans A and B were submitted."

## Weekend's Work

Frederick Lapidès, chairman of the English Department added, "We did not know what was in the plans and then in the next meeting, we were told of a Plan C but were not told what was in that either. We are tired of having things done behind our backs."

Dean Schmidt admitted Plans A and B were "a weekend's work" and recognized the "dissatisfaction of the chairmen." Faculty members debated whose fault the dissatisfactory plans were. Hassan Zandy, professor of Physics, defended the Dean, saying he was "under pressure and responsible to the vice president."

Michael Autori, professor of

Biology, brought up the resignations of the Administrations. "The people upstairs don't give a damn about academic integrity."

## French & German Cut

Marcelle Altieri, chairwoman of the Foreign Language department, said she is fighting against Dr. Schmidt's Plan A and B. She said that if A and B are implemented, all French and German will be cut. She added that Spanish will remain but in a truncated form.

The last action of the faculty at the meeting was to appoint Walker, former assistant dean of the College, to review the Office of the Dean and see if "comparable cuts" could be worked out to improve its efficiency.

## Surveys Are Favored

By MAUREEN BOYLE  
Staff Reporter

Department chairpersons would like to see a percentage of majors in each department evaluate faculty by computer survey rather than a student committee making decisions on faculty contract renewals, a recent survey shows.

The survey is based on a proposal from Student Council Vice President Joel Brody at a council meeting two weeks ago. Brody said, "The teachers are the ones having the say on which tenured professors would get the axe and we (the students) have to get our way in there, at least to be heard."

Another proposal by Rick Loomis recommended a voting seat for students on the Promotion and Tenure Committee or whatever group would be making the final decision on tenured faculty.

Of the 18 department chair-

persons polled, 15 preferred student evaluations of faculty. Eight felt both proposals were suitable.

Four chairpersons agreed student evaluations are necessary, but felt all students, not just the percentage asked for in the proposal, should fill out evaluations.

Of the 18, nine also said students should have a vote on the Promotion and Tenure Committee or other groups making decisions on tenured faculty.

Bertram Spiller, chairman of the Sociology department, said committee involvement allows for a "personal kind of contract with students" rather than having "just columns and numbers."

Eight were against student participation on any committee making final decisions on tenured faculty. "A student is here for four years and then he goes," explained Stuart

Mayper, chairman of the Chemistry department. "He doesn't have the long term involvement faculty members would have."

"Student evaluations are valuable," he continued, "but the decisions have to be made by the faculty themselves." David Poirier, chairman of manufacturing engineering, favored student evaluations but not students sitting on a committee. "Faculty and administrators would be better qualified to make the decisions," he said.

The two proposals were devised by Student Council to include student input in faculty nonrenewal decisions. Last Tuesday the Board of Trustees decided the University was financially exigent, which requires the release of 58 faculty members by 1977.

## Schine 4N Must Pay \$670 Bill For Tub

Howard E. Giles, area director of Residence Halls, sent a memo last week to all former residents of cluster 4N in Schine Hall informing them that they will have to pay part of a \$670 bill for a bathtub that was damaged in the cluster last semester.

"To date," the mimeographed memo said, "no one has indicated to either the hall director or me as to who is responsible for the damage. At this point, I have no choice but to bill all of the 4N residents for the fall semester. Unless the specific individuals come forward or are named as being responsible, each of the fall semester residents will be billed a portion of the total \$670."

Usually, each cluster in Schine houses 17 students.

The \$670 for replacement of the cracked tub, according to the memo, was based on an estimate from the Maintenance Department. The tub has been "virtually rendered useless."

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## Commentary

# Vietnam Promise Kept

Over the past two weeks events have taken place that have again raised the spectre of our responsibility in Southeast Asia. This past week the government of Premier Lon Nol surrendered to the insurgents, re-instating Prince Norodom Sihanouk. In South Vietnam, government troops have stabilized lines and are holding their own.

With this 'abandonment' of our allies, many fear allies will doubt the reality of American commitment. The question is: What commitment did America have?

For more than fifteen bloody years we backed 'democratic' governments in South Vietnam and lost 55,000 lives doing so. In my opinion this was one hell of a commitment. When we left South Vietnam, their army was as well equipped as the adversaries, yet they are not doing as well as one would assume. The last 'offensive' gained its impetus from the mass retreat of the Vietnamese forces leaving the territories for the Communists to set up provisional governments. Could any amount of arms without American men holding them have changed the situation for the Thieu regime?

In Cambodia, the insurgents have defeated the government that some say America, through the CIA, helped set up. Should we as a nation have done more to save the government we gave power? I think not.

I believe that what we have seen in these

two nations should have happened two decades ago. In some ways we have created this situation in trying to stop it. In Vietnam we are seeing what would have happened in the fifties—Vietnam under Communist control.

In Cambodia, we see the fruition of a situation that would not have happened without our intervention. Sihanouk, though leaning toward the East, was not a communist. If the Domino theory of the fifties does become viable, it may not be for the reasons feared at the time, but because of the actions those fears caused. Our intervention in the internal relations of these two nations was the result of our abandonment of a more important commitment. That was the commitment to the rights of a people to self-determination. With that we have seen the loss of American prestige and power and the weakening of the Western Alliance. It has also raised the serpentine head of a neo-isolationist movement in this country.

To those who are worried about American commitment I say look at history. Whether right or wrong, with vigor or reluctance, the American people have fulfilled their commitments as they saw them. We may not have always backed the right side but we have kept our promises to other nations, even if they were kept with reluctance and regret.

Eric Gould

## Food Fans

If the International Relations banquet though. About 150 Club banquet this Sunday is persons had to be turned away anything like the one last at the door. So this year tickets year—it's bound to be great. MUST be purchased in advance

Last year's banquet transformed Marina Dining Hall into what appeared to be a UN meeting room and supplied delicious food cooked and entertainment performed.

One problem with last year's—frank home.

at the Student Center Activities Office.

If you're one who enjoys eating foreign food then make it a Sunday night must.

This food is cooked by the foreign students with recipes

# All Must Grab Bailing Buckets

Whether or not the ship is sinking, there is no benefit in punching holes in its side.

Nor is there logic in standing at the stern and pretending you are safe, when the bow is already under.

The Board has decided that the University is financially exigent. Some of the faculty disagree, and call it only a ruse to get rid of them. Whatever the proper terminology, the University is in grave financial trouble. Whose responsibility that is is insignificant right now. We aren't going anywhere if no one wants to row.

Frederick Silliman, former chairman of the Board, released the deficit figures March 28, 1974. Thirteen months later, the University is panicking.

The best of all possible worlds in the classroom must be applied to the financial condition right now. The larger questions are important. What is more important than anything else is the final destruction of the insular back-stabbing the campus is famous for.

Administrators, faculty and students can go on blaming the crisis on each other, but it is not going to work. The crisis is not going to go away.

Departments and colleges can go on saying, "Why take professors or programs from me? Cut *them*, cut *them*, cut *them*!" But one college does not a University make.

We are faced with a dilemma that must find some sort of equitable resolution in nine days. Curiously, we are faced with administrators wasting this valuable time reading their own priceless prose reports for the greater duration of meeting time.

Emergency meetings are all well and good. At least they recognize there is an emergency. But none of the meetings have yet gone beyond pettiness and self-righteous dissent. Everyone thinks they are right, that their plan and view of the University is valid. And everyone is wrong.

Bickering and rumoring must give way to an all-encompassing review of the solutions. Administrators and faculty must meet in toto, to stop the confusion and the "well, so-and-so told me another story" kind of confrontation.

Three days. The future of the University is worth three days of intense discussion. Administrators should take three days, sit down with their deans, their faculty and whatever students are concerned. Let us yell, accuse, slander and barter, but let us arrive at a total University solution in which everyone has a voice.

Nothing can come from sectionalized solutions that cut unrepresented throats. The present situation is embarrassing—the men and women charged with teaching and leading the students throwing sand in each others' efforts.

No one must be excused and no one must be silent.

An hour and a half class must give way to those larger problems already overshadowing classes in every professor's mind. Without a solution, and a solution now, the University will remain unproductive way beyond the end of the semester. We must devote our time solely to the solution.

These could be the most important three days in our history—three days when administrators, faculty and students come to terms with a present crisis.

What could be more important in education?

Lesley Ciarula

## Reader's Angle

### To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my support for the position taken by Dr. Mary Topalis, dean of the College of Nursing. As a student of that college, the objectivity of my remarks may be considered suspect by some. However, I should like to call further attention to the reputation of the College of Nursing as one of the finest in the Northeast and in the nation. The quality of the

faculty and curriculum are widely respected as being consistently reflective of pioneering changes in nursing education. Its graduates have achieved recognition at all levels of professional nursing. Reflecting on the Borowski editorial of April 15, let me say that the consistent reporting of "gloomy" news is unavoidable and necessary if your goal is an informed University community during a painful state of

transition. However, if we are to avoid the creation of a narrow and foreboding perspective, a sense of balance must be maintained. Look for the flowers growing amongst and despite the weeds! Display the legitimate assets of the University! I congratulate all of The Scribe staff for persistence in providing the information we all require, but ask that you sprinkle a little sunshine amidst the storm clouds. Geoffrey May

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## Depression coming? "Hell yes," say elderly

By JOANN DADDONA

Is another depression coming?

"Hell, yes!" said a 72-year-old Bridgeport man. "The only good times in this country are during war. That's when we make all the money. A war produces jobs which are what we need now."

Most senior citizens fear that a second depression is about to happen and, recalling their experiences in the "Great Depression" of the Thirties, they are not looking forward to it. Some optimistically believe that social security and unemployment checks would help feed them.

Others doubt the government's ability to care for them if a second depression materializes. A Stratford man, 67, said, "I've lost all faith in our Washington government. But America's the greatest country yet," he declared.

"If another depression happens we can all go on welfare. Let the government feed the people of the United States for once instead of all those foreign nations," one woman said angrily.

"There will be another depression," asserted another Bridgeport woman. "But there won't be any bread lines because we have more benefits from the government now."

A Milford man, 91, said he pities young college graduates who can't find jobs. "If you don't have a job in this country, what do you have? It's a matter of self-respect."

**"It wouldn't be fair  
to have to go through  
it all over again..."**

Several senior citizens also expressed concern about the reaction of the younger generation, those under 40, to a depression. They said the younger ones cannot understand the fear and hopelessness a second depression would bring.

Another Bridgeport woman, 79, felt the economy is too industrialized and that's where all the problems lie. She said her family lived on a farm where they appreciated the earth's natural resources.

"If another depression comes, we all better start praying," an 87-year-old Stratford woman commented. "It just wouldn't be fair to have to go through it all over again," a Bridgeport woman, 75, added.

## Summer job fund saved for CETA youth program

By MARIANNE SAMSEL

"The summer youth program will be at least equal to last year," assured Kenneth Neeley, Manpower Planner, in regard to the summer youth program federally funded under the Comprehensive Employment Act of 1973 (CETA).

At this time \$800,000 has been set aside by CETA for the summer youth employment, Neeley said. This will enable Manpower to plan a program at least equal to last year's which employed 3,000 youths, he added.

Neeley is hoping for a 15 to 25 percent increase in appropriations from a new CETA appropriations bill pending in Congress. "If we do receive the additional money, then the \$800,000 can go back into the adult program."

"It's hard to make appropriations higher for youth employment when the adult unemployment is so high," he commented. "But if we knew we were getting more funds we could expand the program."

CETA provides for the decentralized use of federal funds through prime sponsors utilizing manpower services. The funds are directed to those whose need is greatest. The act provides maximum employment opportunity for the economically disadvantaged, unemployed or underemployed, through the development and creation of job opportunities, training and education, and other services to secure and retain employment.

Neeley also explained the bill before Congress contains new guidelines to reflect the present economy. Previously, the program was

restricted to disadvantaged youngsters with a family income below \$4,500. The new guidelines include a family whose household head is unemployed.

Neeley said this summer's plans are now in the development stage. Manpower administers the money to various subgrantees, he said, who develop and operate their own program.

The summer programs provides youths between ages 14 and 21 with jobs in non-profit organizations and services while being paid federal monies.

Fanny Walden, director of Youth Work experience, indicated this year's plans were still in the "early stage," and she "would not have any definite plans till the end of the month."

Walden said between 6,000 and 7,000 youths registered with ABCD for work, with priority was given to welfare recipients.

William Jackson from CYO was enthusiastic even though plans were not finalized. "Most of our summer positions are secured. We only need to drum up a few additional ones, which are being done now," he said.

Jackson explained that although he expects to receive the same amount of money as last year, fewer jobs will be available this year due to a pay increase of 10 cents per hour this year. This brings down the amount of enrollees since each would have to be paid more. Last year, 625 youths were employed.

Jackson has been "pushing the city to start developing strategy problems now." His only problem, he said, is getting the city to plan early.

## Unemployment up to 10.8 per cent; 19,200 jobless in city area

The greater Bridgeport unemployment rate soared to 10.8 per cent in mid-February, leaving over 19,200 persons jobless. This is the highest unemployment rate since July, 1972, when it was about 12 per cent.

The jobless rate increased one per cent from mid-January's figure of 9.8 per cent. The current unemployment rate as compared to the January 1974 rate of 7.6 per cent, and the December 1974 rate of 9.1 percent paints a gloomy picture for Bridgeport area workers.

Statewide unemployment peaked to 9.5 per cent during mid-February, an increase of .5 per cent during one month. The Bridgeport area tops both the statewide average and the 8.2 national rate computed in January.

The Bridgeport area (labor market) includes eight towns: Bridgeport, Easton, Fairfield, Milford, Monroe, Shelton, Stratford and Trumbull. Its population in mid-1973 was 396,100. Two fifths resided in the city of Bridgeport, according to Labor department statistics.

Cutbacks in Defense Department contracts and layoffs of skilled workers in Sikorsky, Avco, Bullard's and Baird companies contributed to the soaring jobless rates, said Edward Ryjeko, manager of the Bridgeport office of the Connecticut State Labor Department.

Construction work is a key element to the economy, he said. "If union construction people go back to work, things will look better."

Ryjeko said machine trades are even more important to the economy but that "things haven't gotten soft in the machine industry yet. They're still hiring skilled people." Most unemployed people are unskilled, he added.

Harold J. Lempkin, manager of Snelling and Snelling Employment Agency in Bridgeport, noted, "All available jobs require experience. The few jobs available are for highly specialized personnel." The factories employing unskilled and semi-skilled workers are the hardest hit, he said.

Lempkin said his office isn't swamped by people coming in for jobs because all Snelling and Snelling ads are specific. "People don't come in if they don't meet the requirements. If we had an ad, 'Trainee — College Graduate,' then we'd be swamped."

Of the 19,200 unemployed in the Bridgeport area 40.9 per cent are women. White males represent 29.6 per cent and minorities, 29.5 per cent, of those unemployed.

The total 1970 resident civilian labor force in the Bridgeport area was approximately 169,540. Of this, only 65,210 women or 38.5 per cent, were employed. Only 17,040 minority persons, or 10.1 per cent were employed. White males made up 51.4 per cent of the labor force, according to Connecticut Labor Department statistics.

Women composed approximately 39 per cent of the state labor force, minorities, 7.7 per cent, and white males, 53.5 per cent, in 1970, according to the State Labor Department. More current statistics are unavailable.

While unemployment rates are soaring, workers' earnings have also risen, but only by \$12.



Out of work and out of money: for many, nothing to do but sit.

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# Empty wallets, tighter belts— layoffs shape new figures

By MARIANNE SAMSEL

"Oh, we've cut down on everything, even my belt, see?" The man standing in line at the unemployment office tightened his belt to show his loss of weight.

Have the eating habits of the unemployed changed since they lost their jobs? One man, who appeared incredulous at the question, said, "Listen, with less money that means less food, unless you have some other income source."

Most of those standing in the unemployment line were definite about the ways their eating habits had changed.

"Less meat" was the overwhelming response as to how the unemployed adapt to a tighter budget. "Less of everything actually."

A Stratford woman who had been unemployed for two weeks explained that as a widow with her only income gone she found herself eating less, curtailing her entertaining and cutting other expenses.

"Only buy your bread and butter," suggested one man. Another woman explained that, like many other unemployed persons, she buys the less expensive and longer lasting dried food.

The high price of food, especially bread, led one man to try his hand in the kitchen. He bakes his own bread. "I found I could make it a lot cheaper by myself." He began demonstrating, with graphic motions, the finer points of bread-making to those near him in line. "Have you ever tried using..." a lady from the next line helpfully suggested.

Others in the line had not cut down on food consumption they said, because they were already on diets. One young man of solid stature, however, said food was the last thing he would give up.

Many of those standing in line said they were cutting back on recreational activities in order to put more money in the food budget. "Even with that it's not enough," one man concluded.

Unless you're able to "make an extra buck compensate," as one worker suggested, being unemployed requires a lot of flexibility and adaptation. Almost everyone has to stretch their dollars these days. Being unemployed however, means having less of those dollars. As one woman in the line said, "Just staples and hope—that's enough."

ONE WAY TO ADAPT—CUT OUT HIGH-PRICED AND UNNECESSARY FOOD.



## Can you get 'em?

Anyone wishing to apply for food stamps can do so at the Connecticut Welfare Department on State Street in Bridgeport. Those who are unemployed must first register with the state's employment agency.

Eligibility for food stamps is based on the net adjusted income of the family. This includes all income the household receives each month from payments, pensions, or take-home pay after such deductions as income tax, social security and other mandatory payments have been made.

For the preliminary interview the person applying is asked to bring a proof of income. Acceptable proof includes wage stubs, proof of Social Security, pension, workmen's compensation, award letters, or any other proof of household income.

Should an unemployed person have problems with collecting unemployment compensation, it is possible to receive food stamps free. But this, according to a Welfare Department spokesman, can continue only while there is no income coming in.

## Her work—giving money away

By ROBERT LEVY

If unemployment is a gloomy situation, then unemployment offices must be gloomy places.

"There seems to be a feeling among young reporters that spectacular things happen around here all the time, and people are always fighting," said E. Smarz, manager of the Bridgeport Branch of State Employment Service.

"These are just average people out of work and looking for something to tide them over during the interim. They're factory people, skilled people, and others, worried about getting another job," she said.

Looking over the crowds of people waiting in lines numbering about 20, it's impossible to determine any predominant age group or race. Young boys with leather jackets, women in long cotton coats, well dressed middle-aged men all wait in line for what to many, is a necessity.

Both lines can be seen from the front entrance. People are busy behind the counter getting checks ready and trying to keep the lines moving smoothly. About three quarters of the room is taken up with these lines, the other quarter is covered with desks that are constantly being bumped into. A lone viewer, listing jobs is located near the front entrance. It's constantly being used.

"After the people look at the viewer, and they find something

in the way of a job, they can then go over to the placement office and get interviewed," Smarz said. "These people looking for jobs do everything on their own."

"People are scheduled on a 15 minute basis throughout the day, which is 8:30 to 4:30, and the crowds are about the same throughout. However, since last year, the crowds have about doubled in size, but as the crowds have grown larger, we've added on more people."

## Last tango for bourbon?

By MAURA HEALY

More free time is one result of unemployment. Are people turning to alcohol in their free time? A survey of local liquor stores turns up some interesting answers.

Eddie is one store owner who says he is seeing lots of new faces nowadays. "People have more time and less money to spend so they stay home and have parties." He says his sales have gone up and he expects to do better this summer.

Not everyone in the liquor business has such an optimistic outlook. Dan Verrilli, owner of Dan's Package Store on East Main Street, says his sales are "definitely down" and feels business will worsen.

Verrilli feels the base price of liquor will rise. "As the prices go up, so does the tax, which also adds to the total price increase."

Theresa Cardozo, co-owner of Caesar's Liquor Store, says, "people are buying less quantity—those people who use to buy quarts and fifths are now buying pints."

According to Mrs. Cardozo, "Wine used to be bought by customers in the 20 to 25 age group. Now people in the 40 to 50 age group are buying it."

Overall, liquor sales appear to be down, and people's tastes are changing. The stores report sales up in pop and dry wines, while bourbon, scotch and blended whiskies are selling poorly.

Right now, we have a large group of intermittents, or people that just work here part-time. All told, there are about 70 people working here now."

"Look outside," she continued. Since her office was located in the rear of the building it offered a view of almost everyone waiting in the lines. "That is the same scene during every weekday. We're courteous to these people and they're very courteous to us."

## Satire

## LAIID-OFF !

You know you're about to be laid off when:

- each time you go to work you find your time card hidden in the waste paper basket.
- your name on your parking space is gone.
- you find that you have less and less to do at work.
- the boss keeps asking you how your part-time job is doing, and you don't have a part-time job.
- your fellow workers are always surprised to see you at work.
- the coffee wagon stops carrying your favorite pastry.
- you start finding slips of paper with the address of the local unemployment office.
- everyone starts whispering when you walk by.
- you always seem to find the daily paper turned to the "Help-Wanted" section.
- you're urged to take more and more sick days.
- the people you work with start paying back their debts.
- you're not invited to any staff parties, but you're asked to plan them.
- the boss calls you in his office and says, "I hate to have to do this, but..."

JOHN F. MAJEWSKI

Chicken, fish or meat—all are cheaper

## Stamps & Dollars

By MARIANNE SAMSEL

"If there's an order coming through with you're pretty sure they have food stamps," in Fairfield declared. Her comment reflected food stamps by residents of the Bridgeport.

The food stamp program, which is federal, provide low income households with a balanced diet. Those who participate in the program which are worth an average of 45 to 50 percent cost. The food stamps must be used at a

*"If there's an order through with lots then you're they have f*

Welfare Department statistics indicate stamps. In November 1973, 2,858 Bridgeporters receiving public assistance were aided. In November of 1974 the figure rose to 4,028. Department estimates there are 5,000 stamps as of February 1975. One spokesman said those people not receiving stamps who participate in the program are getting stamps. Mr. Negal of the Welfare Department usually processed in two weeks but the department is staffed to handle the applications on a monthly basis from application to certification at present.

Negal said this waiting time falls within the law. In order to handle the extra load the Department, Negal said, they will be

U.S. District Court Judge M. Joseph ordered the state to broaden its food stamp program. He directed the state to intensify efforts to increase their eligibility for the program and households eligible for food stamps be certified.

Negal said he had not received any direct orders from the Food Stamp Director, Cecil MacCallister. The department sends speakers to inform agencies when so requested. Example requested speakers are Senior Citizens lunch program, Negal said.

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# Economic impact on the jobless

By PAULETTE DOOGAN

## Families fret

Trying to support oneself on unemployment benefits is difficult, but trying to support a family of eight is burdensome, according to a 24-year-old unemployed Bridgeport man.

Four years ago, John Seibert officially listed himself as a head of the household. His father was unable to work because of a fall which fractured his skull and impaired his vision. His mother had to leave her job when a hip injury made it difficult for her to move around.

After working two years for General Science, a division of the J.T. Baker Company, Seibert was laid off. Two months later he found a job at Chain and Cable, only to be let go shortly thereafter. Once again, Seibert is collecting unemployment.

There are six children living at home. Everyone helps with the management and chores, he said. Seibert, along with his hospital-worker brother and unemployed sister, are striving to support the family.

His younger brothers and sisters attend Bridgeport public schools. "At their ages," he said. "They outgrow clothes quickly. With prices the way they are, it is hard to figure out what to do. Just buy whenever its possible, I guess."

There have been definite changes in the family's lifestyle. Eating habits in the family, Seibert explained, have changed from a diet of various foods to frequently, chop meat or spaghetti.

"Food shopping is down to bare essentials. Recreation is limited to staying home watching TV, not going out to the movies. And, it's tough to keep up with the bills," Seibert commented.

Seibert harbors a bitterness about his and other unemployed persons' economic situations. "It's unfair," he declared. "Everyone knows the corporations are making bigger and bigger profits" and the average man is missing a piece of the cake.

When asked if the responsibility for the rest of the family ever gets overwhelming, Seibert replied, "Yes, it gets to be a burden, but for now I have an obligation to keep up with the mortgage payments and family needs."

## Laid off, lined up, look out: unemployment blues

By JOANN DADDONA

People standing in lines at the Connecticut Labor Department in Bridgeport wanted to know if Governor Ella Grasso was going to do anything about the unemployed.

"I haven't collected since Oct. 1 of last year," one angry man said. "Stand in line all day while the money is going to Cambodia and Vietnam. Give Ella Grasso a glass of water and some rye bread to live on!"

"I expect to get my job back," he continued. "Go tell Ella Grasso, maybe she'll know what to do. I haven't got much money because I'm in landscaping and have been laid off since last year."

The woman standing next to him agreed. "Make senators stand in line all day for three months."

E.M. Smarz, manager at the labor department, said, "I would like to know the names of the people who haven't collected checks. There are discrepancies in the paper work and that's why they haven't been paid."

An unemployed Bridgeport mother, the sole supporter of her 16-year-old retarded son, has been laid off from her factory job since October.

"I get \$80 a week in my unemployment check and they only give me \$5 a week for my

boy," she lamented, and then noted she had applied for jobs in every factory in Bridgeport. "I'm sick of filling out applications! Jobs are frozen now. I'd much rather be working. I have to get a babysitter and pay her to watch my son."

Long lines at the labor department produce short tempers and bitter statements. People are reluctant to identify themselves because they fear a negative public response from their statements.

One man, 21, commented,

"It's bad all week here when you're standing in these lines. Maybe I'll collect more money than I was making at work."

A woman assembler who works for General Electric said she heard rumors that G.E. might close down. She told of how she cut down on shopping, now that she gets every third work week off.

A male display artist, 69, who worked in Boston, Philadelphia, and Bridgeport said, "I've been laid off for six weeks. My wife's retired and I bring home only

\$100 a week in my unemployment check. It's mighty uncomfortable living on that."

A woman formerly employed at Bridgeport Metal Goods said, "I've been laid off for two weeks and it's questionable whether I'll get my job back. I have four dependent children."

One man, 20, said he was laid off one month after he started working at the downtown Bridgeport Post Office. "I don't think I'll get my old job back for a while," he commented dejectedly.

## Singles suffer

Single unemployed persons, married couples and families, are finding unemployment an uncomfortable situation to get used to.

Steve Kovack, a Bridgeport artist, feels his staggering employment problem is compounded by the expected hardships of an artist's life.

Kovack graduated from the University of Bridgeport two years ago with a bachelor of fine arts. He's held about eight jobs in the past year alone, the most recent being display work and lettering for Shoppers' Fair, which lasted about three months. In January, the company's work force was reduced, and Kovack has been unemployed since.

He said there were changes in his lifestyle after his layoff and noted his weekly salary was nearly cut in half, from \$95 to \$53.

"Before I wouldn't have to think about buying things like clothes, a part for my car, or going out to dinner and a movie. Now, you have to think about everything and try to save just for food and rent," Kovack explained.

He related the frustrating experience of applying for food stamps after being laid off. Since he was told he had to declare some sort of income to be eligible for food stamps, he postponed the application until the mandatory two-week waiting period for collecting unemployment checks was over, he said.

Kovack says that due to an error at the unemployment office, he was faced with an additional two week delay. Meanwhile, he had no income at all, but, he added, was lucky to have saved a little to carry him through the four week interval.

Months later, he is still waiting for his food stamp application to be processed. He believes the confusion is due to the huge backlog of work and understaffing of state offices.

Since he does not have the pressures of supporting anyone other than himself, Kovack said his lifestyle hasn't changed enough to make him bitter or angry. He remarked that people waiting in line for unemployment checks are rather undisturbed and say, "What else can you do?"



Long lines can spark hot tempers and fiery comments.

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## Stars = Food

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## Low-cost state schools help students continue education

**By JUDY DONNEL**

The majority of students in the Bridgeport secondary school system have not had to quit school to obtain jobs this year, but rising costs may prevent some students from continuing their education.

On the college level, enrollments at private institutions have remained stable or decreased slightly because of rising tuitions and operational costs. State-run colleges, however, are thriving because of significantly lower tuition and fee rates.

Many students receive financial aid to remain in school in order to defray the soaring costs of education. Next year, however, the amount of financial aid available will probably be less since Gov. Ella Grasso has announced a cut in State college budgets. Some expect Gov. Grasso will also trim the funding for private institutions.

Last year, only 50 percent of the graduates from Bridgeport public high schools continued educational plans, but Helen McHugh, director of guidance for the Board of Education, said this isn't a bad percentage compared with previous years.

In 1973, 57 percent of the city high school graduates enrolled in colleges or vocational schools. This represents a decline of seven percent. Also, McHugh said, secondary school enrollment has dropped by only 99. She feels the decrease is not significant.

Each year, about 500 students drop out of the Bridgeport public school system, the majority being poor class attenders, according to McHugh. Some preferred work to school, a few got married and, in previous years, some have



Many more students, approximately 78 percent, attending Diocesan high schools go on to higher education. Some students receive financial aid to defray the \$600 tuition cost.

At Notre Dame Catholic High School, Fairfield, 114 students, or approximately 10 percent, applied for financial aid. Father James Gildea, director of guidance, expects this figure to rise

next year "with the economy the way it is."

"Because of the low tuition rate and low fee rate, people finding times getting harder don't go to private institutions where it is more expensive. Instead they will go to the public institutions according to Paul McNamara, director of the Institutional Research and Computer Services at Housatonic Community College.

Last semester, enrollment at Housatonic, a state-run college, increased 407 to over 3,000. "It was only stopped at 3,149 because of our own budgetary problems. We could have taken in another 300 to 400 students if the state had given us the funding to do so," McNamara said. Tuition at Housatonic is currently \$100 per semester.

Enrollment at Sacred Heart University, a private institution in Bridgeport, rose by 171 last September. Currently, tuition is \$900 per semester. Next semester, it is expected to rise to \$950.

Douglas Bohn, registrar at Sacred Heart, said he expects state funding for private institutions to be trimmed next year. "It will not be any easier for private institutions in the future." He suggested that only state colleges will be able to afford the "frightening" economy and private institutions will be a thing of the past.

Enrollment at the University of Bridgeport last September was down about four percent while tuition and room and board fees were increased. Next September, tuition and room and board costs will rise \$450 to \$4,450. Approximately 31 percent of the students receive financial assistance.

## Labor dept. plays key role in opening doors for unemployed

**By MAURA HEALY**

The Connecticut Labor Department at 816 Fairfield Ave., is a good place to start finding a job.

"Construction work is the key element to the economy, but machine trades are even more important," said Edward Ryjeko, manager of the Bridgeport office. "Things haven't gotten soft in the machine industry yet. They're still hiring people."

Government has helped in hiring in the past, and hopefully, will continue in the future, he continued. Recruitment to fill these jobs is done through the labor department.

State Labor Department statistics show the unemployment rate was 8.2 per cent in Connecticut in March. Bridgeport's unemployment rate was 9.8 per cent in January 1975 compared to 7.6 in January 1974.

In February, 17,000 people registered with unemployment at the labor department. Of the estimated 600 job openings, 374 people were placed in jobs through the labor department.

People seeking jobs can view microfilm cards listing jobs for certain areas. "These selected area cards make it easier for the professional people, such as teachers and engineers, to look for jobs because they are more mobile and can travel to different areas to pick up jobs," said Ryjleko.

About 350 jobs openings were available in March in the Ansonia, Danbury, Stamford and Norwalk area.

The jobs include administrative, sales, technical and secretarial-office-clerical positions. The job openings were found through a recent poll of job opportunities, done in cooperation with Snelling and Snelling Employment Agency.

Connecticut figures showed 34 per cent of available jobs to be within the secretarial-office-clerical category with secretarial, typist, and receptionist positions the most abundant.

Sales and technical categories equally shared the next 50 per cent of job opportunities with insurance and industrial sales the most promising in the sales category.

Engineering and mechanical design are the most available positions in the technical category. Only 16 per cent of Connecticut's available jobs are administrative.

The over crowded fields in Connecticut include data processing, teaching, social services, and unskilled labor.

"Most unemployed people are semi-skilled or unskilled," said Harold J. Lemkins, manager of Snelling and Snelling Employment Agency in Bridgeport.

## Attitudes are hopeful while the jobless wait

**By CHERYL YANOSY**

Despite the increasing unemployment rate, the unemployed are trying to maintain a positive attitude about their futures and prospects on finding jobs.

Marianne Linsky, an unemployed elementary school teacher, said she now spends her free time at home "catering" to her family.

"I enjoyed teaching," she said, "But I also enjoy my family, I've taught school for almost six years, so centering my efforts towards my domestic chores is a nice change."

In the eyes of one businessman, the bulk of employed persons have been secure in jobs for at least 10 years. These people, he added, either own private businesses or have earned seniority in large corporations. They, he emphasized, are the minority.

Within the past several years, the unemployment crunch has hurt newly-graduated college students.

"Not being able to find a job wouldn't be so bad, except I have a degree in political science staring me in the face and no opportunity to use it," a former University of Bridgeport student commented. He reflects for a moment before continuing.

"I think our politicians feel threatened by young people and their innovative ideas. Think of the irony of it all."

The feeling among college students, especially those approaching graduation, is one of concern.

A woman Fairfield University graduate with a degree in psychology feels confident however, "I'm not employed at the time, but I'm still waiting. I want to go back to school for graduate studies and at this point, it seems like the only alternative. In any event, I'll grab anything that comes along."

In the Greater Bridgeport area many employment agencies offer no full time job relief for jobless persons. Instead, people are seeking work through temporary agencies, such as Oisten Temporary Services.

Phyllis Budde, office Manager at Olsten Temporary Services, handles the bulk of short-term job seekers. Most looking for work are high school graduates and housewives. She added other people are over qualified and don't bother looking for menial work. College graduates and highly skilled and trained people fall into this category, she said.

"It's a depressing and inhibiting situation for them," Budde said. She feels the unemployment rate will start decreasing within the next year. "But time will tell," she added.

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# A Vision Of The Future

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we must call ourselves together and recognize three important factors.

1. That the University of Bridgeport must turn itself around soon and serve its communities: students, teachers, employees and the immediate civic family among them.

2. That the true (not the self-made) power structure should exist among students and their teachers. "Power lies in numbers," according to the Goodwin Watson philosophy, and since we are consumers in a sense we must begin to get our money's worth out of the Bridgeport experience.

3. The most effective use of our power lies with a new identity and must be gained through an entirely different governmental process than the one we now have.

University-alism is something we could at least try. Yet, it can only be carried out through tremendous social energy, enough to pragmatically lead us to what Leland Miles has coined a "Bright Future."

Consider, for a moment, a definition of Democratic Socialism by John Kenneth Galbraith recently reiterated by Pete Hamill in *The Village Voice* for support of American Socialism:

"... a position by the state in the capital structure or plant of an industry or firm that is large enough to provide or pretend major social influence or control." In Hamill's interpretation: "...the state owns the means of production (in Russia), but the people of that nation do not own the state. That doesn't have to happen here." To reach reorganization in Bridgeport.

council that will be described later.

This is not to say (and let us make this clear) that we do not need persons who presently compose these legislative bodies. Rather, they are essential to University-alism; but they must be given equal power and placed where they can be most effective and serve the greatest numbers in the University community. That leads us to the next step in reorganization.

2. A governing council must replace the current groups in order to guarantee formality and order in a government we will need to propose and enact changes that will lead to our "Bright Future."

This governing council should be composed of 10 students, 10 faculty members and 10 members of the Board of Trustees, each with an equal legislative vote.

Of the 10 students and 10 teachers, seven of each will be elected from each college, with the other three in each category elected at-large. In that way, each academic college will have the responsibility of voting for a student and faculty representative to the council, as well as being allowed to vote for at-large candidates.

The 10 trustees, as well, will be elected at-large. That means they will have to campaign for the right to sit on the council just as the teachers and students will. Their terms of office, however, will be longer only because students, by being

It will also provide the citizens with the opportunity to seek out and vote for someone who will give them hope for the future and offer an ideal for life that is wholesome, lasting and human. Then, we will be able to open the University up to all, making it our home and a headquarters for relevant and directed intellectual exchange.

## EXPERIMENT

3. Once the council is established and all players become familiar with their roles, half the task of University-alizing the University will have been accomplished. Just as Hamill has advocated nationalization in America, where the people own the government and the government commands industry and social services, we must strive toward the same construct on a smaller scale at Bridgeport. It would be an incredible experiment, one that has hardly been tried before, except at places like Black Mountain, Goddard, Toronto and Bennington.

For example, a number of critical moves could be made. The council and citizenry could work to fill Magnus Wahlstrom Library, create a law school, obtain substantial research grants from the federal government, fully develop the Urban-Suburban studies program in a quality manner and possibly create a medical school through the College of Nursing, the city of Bridgeport and our science departments.

## '... a University of Bridgeport version of socialism, one that must serve its intellectual community and expand power'

Simply, the solution to our problems is the socialization of the University of Bridgeport.

### THE PEOPLE

Not a socialism that has been marked in history by coups, national party revolutions and American reactionary ignorance. This has nothing to do with Russia, the People's Republic of China or Cuba. We are not advocating the rise of a socialist party on campus. What we're talking about here is a University of Bridgeport version of socialism, one that must serve its intellectual community and expand the broad powers that have been undernourished and, at times, betrayed by its keepers—the students and teachers.

This uninhibited University-alism would be based on the philosophy that the University should own the means by which we become educated. When we speak of the University we do not mean an arrogant knot of corporate executives locked in the du Pont Tower Room deciding on the future of a janitor in Bodine Hall. What we mean is the people of this school—the political scientists, biologists, economists, nurses, engineers, writers, artists, musicians, workers, etc.

It can be accomplished through democratic reorganization to a more socially democratic system of government that will University-alize (something akin to nationalize) the educational resources of the University. It must be open, decentralized, learning-oriented and established to make us all free members of a democratic University community. Nothing need be lost in the reorganization either; in fact, there is much to be gained. This University-alism could be just the mechanism we have needed for so long to guarantee the beautitudes of the Student Bill of Rights that were promised in 1955.

We cannot hope to examine in this essay the fundamentals of Democratic Socialism or Social Democracy, its chronology, failures and criticism. This is not a dramatic call for revolutionary shouting-in-the streets or the bombing of Waldemere Hall. But, at this time in our lives, in this place, it seems clear that

we need not have restructural decisions made solely by a power elite that will, in the end, be dismantled. University-alism can be accomplished trilaterally through democratic reorganization to a more socially democratic system, that will settle power where it has always belonged—with the University.

So, in order to move to what may be our only hope, we must accomplish three tasks.

1. The first order of business would be the abolition of the Board of Trustees, the Administrative cabinet, student council, Senate, etc.; we must be rid of all legislative bodies that have only divided representation and debilitated the spirit of democracy.

### THE PEASANTRY

Student Council has been unsuccessful in its attempt to give its constituency true representation in decisions that are made by the power elite. It has never had veto power over the Waldemere hierarchy, and suffers from general neglect by the trustees. Attempts to register "student input" have, for the most part, been symbolic. Its role has only benefitted the Administration to the point where Presidents and Vice-Presidents can sleep soundly knowing the Peasantry has been appeased for yet another day.

The Senate should have been the foremost decision-making body at the University because, of all legislative bodies on campus, it brought together the most representatives of campus groups. Its task, however, has been stifled through confrontation and conquered through divisiveness.

The Board of Trustees has been out of touch with its people. Buried in ivory towers 100 miles away, it has grown increasingly unaware with the passage of each academic year.

The administration, as is the case at many colleges, has abused the power that was entrusted to it. So, once it has restored the University academically and financially, should not be needed any longer. With University-alism and the changes it would bring, the upper Administration would be replaced by an all-University

students, are limited to the number of years they can serve. That compromise can be checked by the faculty representation since, in most cases, teachers usually are employed by the University longer than students are in attendance. The compromise is still safe since all members will be elected by the same electorate and have the same power once on the council. The council will elect its own chairperson and be responsible for overseeing the admissions process, faculty evaluations and hiring, the budget and all functions that are presently carried out by a power elite. This is not to say that "middle ground" personnel (ie: staff, maintenance workers, the comptroller, etc.) will not be needed. They will be employed by the University and answer to the council for which they will make annual budget recommendations.

In order to safeguard a check on the council, a University meeting (like New England's Town Meetings) will be held each spring when the annual budget is reviewed. A University warrant will be made available to each citizen represented by the council. Members of the general faculty, staff and student body will be able to vote approval or disapproval at the University meeting and, through petition, moratorium, etc., the citizens will be able to keep checks on their elected officials.

The governing council in our interpretation serves a twofold purpose in that it raises up the voice of the existing lower class (ie: students and faculty) and tones down the auspices of the elite (ie: the Administration and Trustees).

We could truly reach out to the world around us through a consortium with Sacred Heart University, Fairfield University and Yale, making all of southern Connecticut academically renown. Co-operative education programs could be expanded, solidifying the ideal that college should prepare us for what comes "after graduation."

But, any plan for University-alism must be carried out under democratic principles. In other words, the citizens who will own this school should soon begin to make decisions that will get us there. They should also be diligently involved in the decision-making process once we have reached our goal. They should choose the most academically-qualified deans, the most involved students, teachers and trustees who will take part in a broad and motivating educational experience. They will formulate the design for educational quality and evaluate the final products of our struggle.

The change may not be an easy one to make. However, one thing we can do now is to start thinking in these terms, stepback and take an overview just as we have attempted to do here. It is an ideal for change that can be carried out if we realize what our present condition is and what our future condition can be. Then, we will have the opportunity—one that we cannot afford to pass up—to reinforce change before it dies. In that way, we will restore the ideals of education and raise the quality of life around us.

Now, we have to consider a way in which to get there.

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# Dance Concert Well Executed

An abstract, mechanical modern dance number entitled *Tanking* was the opening presentation of the Dance Ensemble in Concert, which played for three nights, April 17-19 in the Bubble Theatre.

The Dance Ensemble, made

up of 14 women and two men, put on a skillfully crafted show consisting of modern dances performed to classical music as well as Beatle rock sounds, nursery rhymes and a religious spiritual song.

With soft, complementary

colored lights highlighting them, a few female dancers opened the show with *Tanking*. Through robot-like motions and synchronized body movements, the girls portrayed movements of various fish swimming in an aquarium.

*Words of Love*, three separate poems by Gregor Korin, Warren Carrier and ee cummings followed, narrated by Janet Scarpone and danced by Dana Beehler and Frances Caligiuri.

A medley of Beatle hits entitled *For Ringo Starr, Wherever You Are* was next in the program. The *Ticket to Ride* segment, a rousing contemporary dance, performed by Philip Paul and Myra Byrnes, was particularly well executed. The first segment of the show closed with the Judy Collins song *Since You Asked*, sung to vocal perfection by Pam Fenelon and danced by Myra Byrnes.

The highlight of the second segment of the show was its opening number *The Effects of Selected Stereotyped Female Roles on the Modern Males Perception of the Male Role in Simulated, Authentic Environments*. Set to nursery rhyme music, the number

scored some points for the feminist movement by showing up the egotistical male (Philip Paul) as a immature child. The number was blunt, sarcastic, and extremely effective in showing female characters breaking out of their various stereotypes and taunting the defenseless male.

*City-Feel*, choreographed by the group's director, Jennifer Mitchell, was a slow-moving extremely vague dance performed by five female dancers. It is perhaps the single-most dance in the show open to interpretation.

The evening ended with *Celebration* a spiritual number with music by the Edwin Hawkins Singers. On the whole, the performance was creative, innovative and imaginative. Lighting was used effectively for mood setting and all the dancers performed with great skill and body control.

Mark Lambeck



SCRIBE—VIC GOLDMAN



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## Tailored Pedal Pushers 'In'

Styles of the Fifties seem to be creeping into today's fashion...longer shirts, bermuda shorts and pedal pushers are back, only with a more tailored look.

A sneak Spring preview was presented last Thursday night in the duPont Tower Room, when fashion merchandising majors picked out Spring wear and modeled it themselves.

The clothes chosen came from Warnaco, and most emphasized casual and practical looks which could be worn by everyone. That is, except the string bikini, which still demands good proportions.

Styles for this season have not changed drastically, but the return of fashions from two decades ago is evident.

The big hit of the evening was a long black dress complete with shawl. When the shawl is

removed, the dress reveals an unusual neckline... a large circle cutout which drew much applause.

The show was done with expert flair and style, giving a well-rounded look at what that cosmopolitan girl will soon be wearing. It brings to mind recollections of the Spring Show at Orbach's.

The show will be presented again today at 2 and 8 p.m. in the Student Center Social Room.

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## Council Petitions Ready

Petitions for students wishing to run for next year's Council are available in the Council office on the second floor of the Student Center.

Petitions for president and vice president of Council are due Wednesday, April 23 and the election will be Wednesday, April 30 and Thursday, May 1.

For class presidents and college senators, petitions are

due Friday, May 2 and the election will be Thursday, May 8.

## Part-Time Elections

The Council for part-time students is holding elections for officers April 28 through May 3. Ballots were mailed home to each part time student, and they are to be returned no later than May 3.

M. Patricia Dowling is running for re-election as president. Other candidates are as follows:

for vice-president, Susan Kowalski; council member, Janice B. Conklin, and Leslie K. Bryant. Write-ins are also allowed, but a write in candidate must receive at least 4 votes to be considered.

Students qualified to vote in this election are all part-time undergraduates and all graduates.

By MARK LAMBECK  
Staff Reporter

Foul weather did not dampen the spirits of more than 350 prospective freshman students who came to view the university campus and meet with counselors Saturday, New Student Day.

The annual affair was initially organized to allow students accepted here to visit the campus, meet with counselors and faculty, talk to currently enrolled students and ask questions concerning their future at the University of Bridgeport.

This year New Student Day

activities were more organized than past years. "In the past we had a formal meeting with someone from Admissions, Financial Aid and Student Personnel, talking in a general speech, followed by a question and answer period," said Donald W. Kern, dean of admissions. However, the Admissions Office's former facilities in Howland Hall caused a lot of overcrowding and didn't allow admissions counselors to give students the individual attention they required.

Instead of the speeches this year, counselors from Admissions, Financial Aid and Student Personnel set up individual desks in the lounge area on the 6th floor of the Wahlstrom Library and spoke to prospective students and their families on a more specific basis.

Each of the University's six colleges featured meetings with faculty and present students, tours of the various colleges and separate department demonstrations and programs. The Fashion Merchandising department held a "Capcule Fashion Show" and the Art department held a student art exhibit in the Carlson Art Gallery.

The colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Fine Arts and the Junior College sponsored barbecues at Peoples' Park and the front lawn of the Junior College. The college of Nursing held a coffee hour and the College of Education sponsored an indoor picnic.

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## LAW DAY

Dr. N. J. Spector, pre-law advisor, has information concerning a conference on law school for interested undergraduate students to take place on Law Day, May 1 at 2 p.m. at UConn's School of Law. Contact Dr. Spector in North Hall for more information

## ENGLISH ED.

The College of Education and Continuing Education division sponsor a six credit course on Open Education in England for three weeks this summer. Participants will spend their first night in London and the next two weeks at the University of Hull in Northern England. The last six days will be spent in London with first class hotel accommodations, tours and theater performances. A deposit of \$400 is due May 5, payable to the University. For more information contact Dr. Donald Clarkson at the Mathematics department.

## EXIT INTERVIEW

If you have received a national direct loan or a nursing student loan and will be graduating or withdrawing from the University in May, you must have an exit interview before leaving. Please contact

## Education Committee Voted Down

Student Council narrowly defeated a proposal to initiate a Faculty Evaluation Committee Wednesday night.

The measure would have set up a committee of three faculty, three students and three administrators which would have made up survey questions and distributed questionnaires to each college. It was authored by Peter O'Rourke, senator from the College of Engineering. It was defeated 7-6.

Council members who voted against the proposal had different reasons, but they basically believed that either the job should be undertaken by the college senators, or that there could be no universal evaluation for all departments.

The committee probably would have been initiated after faculty contracts were decided for next Fall.

In other action, Council appropriated \$3,000 to BOD for Spring Weekend, which is April 30 to May 4. Lloyd Leitstein, BOD vice president, said the festivities will cost \$9,488, excluding a concert by Arlo Guthrie next Sunday night.

Council also allocated \$6 per person for up to 48 students to travel to Washington, D.C. Saturday to protest possible expenditures to South Vietnam as proposed by President Ford.

# Significant Shorts

Mrs. Berry at ext. 4696 for an appointment between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## NEW DANCE

Modern dancer and choreographer Judith Galligan, and composer and pianist Donald Johnston will present a concert of New Dance and Music, April 26 at 8 p.m. in New Haven's Educational Center for the Arts. The concert is made possible by a grant from the Connecticut Commission on the Arts through the Connecticut Foundation for the Arts.

## YALE SEMINAR

The American Studies Graduate Club of Yale University will sponsor a state wide meeting of scholars in

terested in American studies, literature and history Saturday, April 26, from 9:30 a.m. to about 4 p.m.

Henry Nash Smith, professor of English at the University of California, Berkeley, and Richard Slotkin, professor of English at Wesleyan University, will be guest speakers. Doughnuts, sandwiches and coffee will be provided free and the seminar is also free. Meetings take place in Room 221, Hall of Graduate Studies, 320 York Street, New Haven.

## FOR THE CONNOISSEUR

The International Relations Club will present its Annual Spring Banquet this Sunday at 7 p.m. in Marina Dining Hall.

The banquet will feature a six course international cuisine dinner, prepared by UB foreign

students. The menu includes: chicken cacciatore, pepper steak, curry, rice, fasulye, glazed carrots, kugelhupf, gateau a l'orange, german chocolate cake, yellow cake, ice cream, baklava, salad, bread, punch (spiked), coffee and tea.

Dr. Alfred Gerteiny, chairman of the History department will be the guest speaker. Ann Wu will perform Chinese

lances; Padmini Chari an Indian dance, Gigi Binerer, belly dancing; Michael LeGardner and Ferando Alves will sing french ballads and the School of Bushido will conduct a karate demonstration. Door prizes will be awarded.

Students ticket price is \$2.50; faculty, \$4 and guests, \$5. Two tickets will be available with each I.D. and there is limited seating. Dress is semi-formal. Tickets may be purchased at the Student Center Activities Office between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

## Tichenor Advances Food Store Plan

Food co-ops are springing up all over the United States and the University may become another possible location, according to Rev. Jay Tichenor.

Food co-ops, or emergency food centers, were originally set up to give low income families

the chance to buy food and other items at a below-retail price. The Rev. Tichenor said the three existing co-ops in Bridgeport are already swamped with members. He said his idea is to start a co-op store near campus where students can also become members.

The price for membership, according to the Rev. Tichenor, will be about two dollars a year plus two hours of work in the store. Membership entitles the holder to purchase items at a proposed 20 percent below retail prices. To attract students to the store, health foods have been added to the list of proposed items.

Tichenor said the co-op is still in the planning stage, and he hopes to get a site for the store soon. There is a great need for co-ops, the Rev. Tichenor said, and anyone interested in joining the co-op or helping run it should contact him at the Interfaith Center.

## Campus Calendar

Mon-Wed, 3-5 p.m. & 7-10 p.m.

Tues & Thurs, 10 to noon 107 Bryant.

**TODAY**  
"Quality of Life" lecture discussing ethical and moral questions about death at 7:30 p.m. in College of Nursing 100. Speakers are Dr. Warren Pistey of Bridgeport Hospital and The Rev. Richard Lindgren of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Fairfield.  
Fashion Merchandising Department presents INNERVISIONS, a fashion show, at 3 and 8 p.m. in the Student Center Social Room.

**WEDNESDAY**  
GAY ACADEMIC UNION meets at 9 p.m. in the Interfaith Center.  
JEWISH STUDENT ORGANIZATION meets at 9 p.m. in the Interfaith Center.

Know what's going on on campus. Come to the STUDENT COUNCIL meeting, 9 p.m. in Rooms 207-209 of the Student Center.

**THURSDAY**  
The Cinema Guild will show the movie ALICE'S RESTAURANT tonight and April 25 at 8 and 10 p.m. in the Recital Hall of A & H. 75 cents.  
SUPERMAN flies onto the Carriage House screen tonight at 10:30.

**GENERAL**  
A student is looking for a ride to SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, sometime around May 5 or 6. Her extension is 4300. Call 364-0092 after 5 p.m.

TURES of students M. Day and T. Watcke will be exhibited on the fifth floor of Wahlstrom Library now through May 1.

**SEX COUNSELING CENTER** is open and available to all students each Monday and Thursday from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Appointments must be made in person by contacting Sylvia Lage at the center.

An exhibition of memorabilia from the Robert B. Davis Collection of Lincolniana is on display for the month of April on the fifth floor of Wahlstrom Library.

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# 6-5 Win Over WConn. Snaps Losing Streak

The varsity baseball team snapped a three-game losing streak last Friday with a 6-5 victory over the Western Connecticut State College Indians at Seaside Park.

Junior Phil Nastu went the distance for the Purple Knights, giving up seven hits, three walks and striking out eight. His record now stands at 3-0.

WesConn took the early lead on Bob Dinardo's triple and Steve Evanuska's sacrifice fly.

But the Knights came back in the next inning, hitting losing pitcher Jim Belter for three runs.

Designated hitter John Eggleston was hit by a pitch at the start of the inning. He moved to third on Richie O'Connor's double and scored on Vito Savo's sacrifice fly.

O'Connor was knocked in by a Dennis Kaczor's single who, after stealing second, scored on Randy Chevalier's double.

WesConn and Bridgeport exchanged runs in the third.

WesConn's run came when Bob Benzing doubled and scored on first baseman O'Connor's error.

O'Connor made up for it when the Knights came to bat by

knocking Catalano in on a sacrifice fly.

The fourth inning was WesConn's most productive. After Bob Miller singled, Nastu got the next two Indians out.

But Ralph Mastrianna singled and Benzing walked to load the bases.

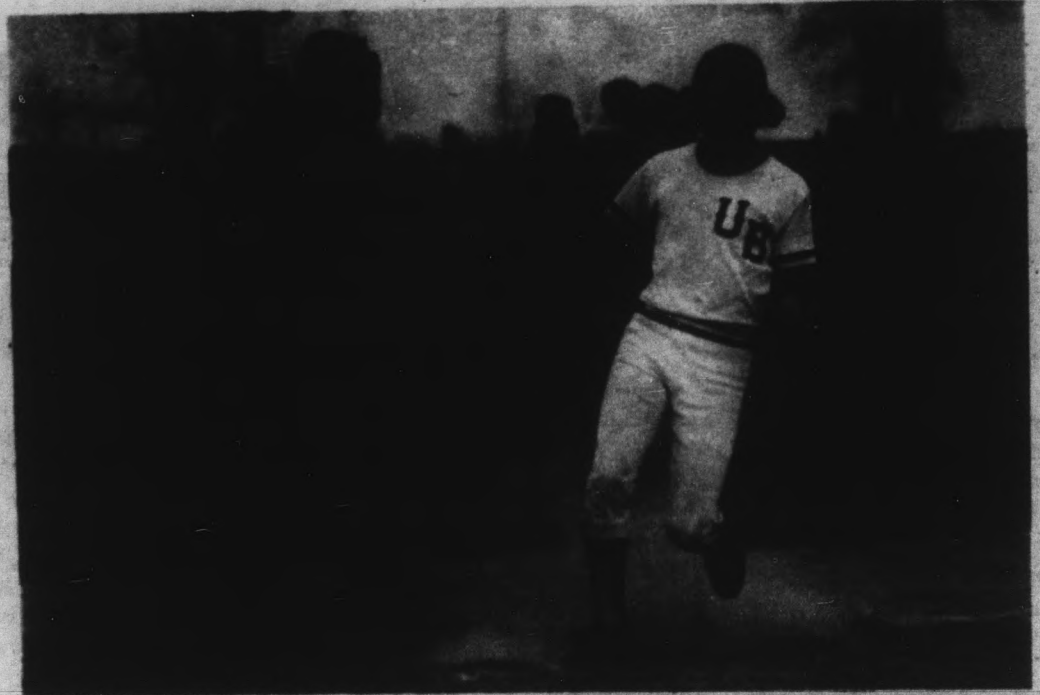
WesConn took the lead in their half of the sixth on a pair of Bridgeport errors. Both Joe Downey and Mickey Trudeau reached on the Knight miscues and advanced a base on Mastrianna's bunt. Meldon's sacrifice fly brought Downey home and gave the Indians a one-run lead.

The Knights came back to tie the game in the bottom of the sixth when Chevalier singled Kaczor home.

With two outs in the seventh, Kaczor hit his second single stole second and reached third on catcher Benzing's throwing error.

Bob Fredrickson, having entered the line-up in the sixth, singled Kaczor home with the winning run.

The win opped Bridgeport's record to 5-4, while WesConn dropped to 1-5.



Dennis Kaczor ties it up for the Knights 5-5 in the bottom of the sixth against WesConn. Friday afternoon. Kaczor repeated his performance with the game winning run in the seventh.

SCRIBE—PAUL KALISH

## Knights Lose In 9th

Bridgeport gave up two unearned runs in the ninth inning and lost to Fairfield University, 6-5, last Thursday, at Seaside Park.

"Very sloppy, we did everything defensively to give them the game," said Coach Fran Bacon after the game. The Knights committed five errors and gave up four unearned runs.

The bright spot for the Knights was Frank Catalano. The senior center-fielder went 4 for 4, with a single, double, triple, and a home run.

Catalano, who hit poorly last year, thinks playing a lot of games in a row, helps him find the groove at the plate.

Rick DiCicco was the first of three pitchers for the two Knights.

DiCicco's roughest and last inning was the eighth. Frank Gill, beat out on infield hit, stole second and scored on Bob Kownacki's single. Kownacki then stole second, and scored on Bob Ciccone's bad-bounce single off third baseman Steve Manguso's glove. Freshman Dennis Kaczor then came in to pitch.

Bridgeport entered their half of the fifth inning with the score tied, 2-2. The Knights loaded the bases on two walks and error against Fairfield's Kevin Roche. Catalano laced a double over the right-fielder's head to put the Knights ahead,

Catalano knocked in another run in the seventh, on a triple scoring Randy Chevalier.

After the eighth, when Fairfield got two runs, Bridgeport entered the last inning with a slim 5-4 lead. The ninth proved disastrous for Bridgeport.

Fred Tunney reached second on Manguso's bad throw to first, Kaczor walked Keith Garvey, and John Eggleston was called in relief. After a double steal on a low pitch from Eggleston, pinch-hitter Bob Smith doubled over left-fielder Mike Jile's head to make the score, 6-5.

With two out, Windsor singled, Catalano walked and it looked as if the Knights might get something going. They did, but not enough. John Eggleston singled to right, but Fred Diaz, running for Windsor, was thrown out at home.

## Icemen Freeze Norwalk 5-0; Five Receive Medals

By ROSLYN RUDOLPH  
Scribe Sports

The Purple Knights' ice hockey club shut out Norwalk Community College 5-0 last Thursday in the final ice meet of the two teams' four-game series, and the last game of the season.

Freshman center Steve Yarnalovicz came through with a first period goal on a breakaway shot ten feet from the cage,

giving the Knights an early 1-0 lead.

Less than two minutes later, Tom Charney left the ice on a two-minute penalty for tripping. Four minutes earlier he was again sent to the penalty box for the same call.

Yarnalovicz scored again and the score remained at 2-0 for the rest of the first period.

After establishing a 3-0 lead on winger Mike Nardi's goal at

1:45 in the second period, the Knights foundered in penalty trouble for the rest of the period. Jim Naphen served two minutes for roughing, and goalie Bob Root got a two-minute call for tripping.

At seven minutes into period three, a fight broke out between Bridgeport's Charlie Rowe and Norwalk's Scott Benford. Each received two minutes for slashing and five for fighting. Benford left the ice for the rest of the game.

Yarnalovicz scored his hat-trick point at 15:53, putting the Knights up 4-0.

With three minutes left in the game, goalie Al Klein came in to replace Root.

Nardi scored his second goal at 14:24, on an assist from Yarnalovicz.

After the game, Coach Jack Rutherford awarded medals to five Purple Knights players.

Steve Yarnalovicz, who scored for a team high of seven goals, was named the top offensive player. Charlie Rowe received an award for his defensive work.

The most improved player award went to Mike Nardi. Goalie Bob Root, with 34 saves for the season, was named the team's most valuable player. The captain's award went to Fred Trybus.



UB faces off against Norwalk Thursday, April 17. The icemen froze Norwalk's offense while melting their defense for a 5-0 shut out.

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### COMMENTARY

## Winning Team Losing

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It's springtime again, and the sports program at Bridgeport is the same as it was in past years, right?

Wrong!

This year, a new team is representing Bridgeport in inter-collegiate play—the women's softball team.

Coached by Mickey Stratton, the team has already gotten two victories, including a stunning upset against the University of Rhode Island.

But, while the team is making a name for itself by winning in inter-collegiate play, it seems to be losing with the University community.

Softball, since it is a women's sport, is ignored by many people, brushing it off as "not interesting."

If people would overlook their prejudices against women athletes, they would see the team is exciting, hard-working and enthusiastic.

The team is close-knit, due largely to the coach, who was described by one of her players as "the whole thing."

The Raybestos Brakettes, 1974 Amateur Women's Fast-Pitch Softball Champions (from Stratford, Ct.), thought enough of the young team to ask them to come to tryouts last weekend.

The Purple Knight's softball season is short, so if you want to see them in action, you'd better hurry.

Remaining home games, played in Seaside Park near the track, are April 23 vs. Western Connecticut, April 25 vs. the Connecticut Diamonds and May 1 vs. Fairfield.

It's about time we stop thinking of women's sports as inferior. The girls are good, well-trained players, and a large crowd cheering them on can only aid them even if they don't seem to need any help.